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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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Plaintiff,

:

24-CV-04064 (VEC)

-against-

<u>ORDER</u>

HISTORICAL DESIGN, INC.,

fandant

Defendant. :

VALERIE CAPRONI, United States District Judge:

WHEREAS on May 28, 2024, Plaintiff filed this action against Historical Design, Inc., Compl., Dkt. 1;

WHEREAS on May 30, 2024, the Court referred the matter to the Mediation Office for settlement purposes, Order, Dkt. 7;

WHEREAS also on May 30, 2024, the Court ordered that "[i]f Plaintiff has effected service on a Defendant, and that Defendant has failed to appear in the case or respond to the Complaint, Plaintiff must move for a default judgment against that Defendant in accordance with this Court's Individual Practices no later than 45 days after the date of the service of the Complaint," *id.*;

WHEREAS on June 5, 2024, Plaintiff served Defendant Historical Design, Inc., *see* Aff. of Service, Dkt. 8;

WHEREAS more than 45 days passed since Plaintiff served Defendant, but Defendant did not appear, answer, or otherwise respond to the Complaint;

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WHEREAS on July 25, 2024, the Court ordered Plaintiff to show cause why the case

should not be dismissed without prejudice for failure to prosecute because Plaintiff failed to

comply with the Court's May 30, 2024, Order that required Plaintiff to move for default

judgment no later than 45 days after service if a served defendant has neither appeared nor

responded to the Complaint, see Order, Dkt. 14;

WHEREAS also on July 25, 2024, Plaintiff sought a Certificate of Default from the Clerk

of Court; the Clerk issued the Certificate of Default on July 26, 2024, see Dkts. 11–12, 13;

WHEREAS Plaintiff responded to the Court's Order to show cause by stating that he

requested and received a Certificate of Default only a few days after the 45-day deadline ran and

that he intended to move for default judgment shortly, see Letter, Dkt. 15;

WHEREAS given Plaintiff's response, the Court extended Plaintiff's deadline to move

for default judgment until August 8, 2024, see Order, Dkt. 16; and

WHEREAS Plaintiff again failed to comply with an Order of the Court because he did

not move for default judgment by August 8, 2024;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this case is DISMISSED without prejudice for failure to

prosecute.

SO ORDERED.

**Date: August 12, 2024** 

New York, New York

**United States District Judge** 

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